



GOVERNOR'S ADVISORY COUNCIL ON AGING

Executive Committee

Meeting Minutes

Friday, November 4, 2011

10:30 am – 11:30 am

Governor's Office on Aging

Conference Room

1700 W. Washington Street, Suite 240

Phoenix, Arizona 85007

Council Members Present

Telephonically: Charles Brown, George Evanoff, (Council Chair), Joyce Finkelstein, Anne Morrison, and Joe Woods (Vice Chair).

Council Members Absent

Council Staff Present

Cathy De Lisa and Kim Jennings.

Guests Present and Signing In

None

Call to Order

Council Chair George Evanoff called the meeting to order at 10:31 am with a welcome.

Review of Minutes & Approval

Following a review of the September 23, 2011 draft Executive Committee minutes, Charles Brown *made a motion to accept the minutes of the last meeting as presented; Joyce Finkelstein seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.*

Chair Report/Update

Council Chair George Evanoff stated he planned to gather stakeholders to discuss the Older Driver Safety report prepared by Jena Grady, Office on Aging intern, hoped to do that sometime before the end of November. The intent is to gather input and be able to present the group's consensus to the Governor's staff.

Senior Action Day Review

The members discussed the five events held in October and while attendance by seniors was not what the group had hoped for, the attendance by legislators and the input received were both seen as positives. Council Chair Evanoff indicated a follow-up meeting was being organized by

the service providers to address concerns raised by those in attendance at the Prescott event. Input received from all the events will be compiled, and a brief report will be prepared to share with the Governor, the legislators and state agencies for planning purposes if they so desire. Final plans for the East Valley event in Sun Lakes on November 8, 2011 were discussed. Council staff agreed to email the Committee members a spreadsheet of information prepared by the Administrative Assistant on each of the Senior Action Day events.

Annual Planning Meeting, December 2011

Council Chair George Evanoff asked for input on whether the Council's Annual Planning Meeting should be one day or two days. Based on discussions, the group agreed by general consensus to move forward with planning for Thursday, December 8, 2011 from 9 am to 3 pm. Staff members were asked to move forward with the planning if a quorum could be established for that date.

Office Updates

Deputy Executive Director, Cathy De Lisa shared updates from the office:

- Conversations with the Executive Director of the DD Planning Council continue on potential collaborations to provide summits or workshops on topics of concern to persons with developmental disabilities and older Arizonans. Topics of interest include transportation, intellectual disabilities and dementia, oral health, and supportive services for remaining in the community.
- Based on current staffing, Ms. De Lisa stated she is in a better position now to re-engage in the efforts of the Arizona Alzheimer's Task Force and hopes to do so.
- Council budget information received points to the continued need for prioritizing use of limited resources.
- The Committee members were reminded that with the elimination of furlough days, the Office on Aging will be open on Friday, November 25th as well as December 19 – 23 and December 27 – 30 during the holiday season.

Announcements

Council member Joyce Finkelstein announced she had made application for reappointment to the Council.

Adjournment

Council Chair George Evanoff adjourned the meeting at 10:51 a.m.

Next Meeting

The date and location of the January 2011 Executive Committee meeting to be determined and announced by Public Meeting Notice posted at the Governor's Advisory Council on Aging website: <http://www.azgovernor.gov/gaca/>. These meetings are open to the public.